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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Presentation on Michigan Arts Education Survey Results

Michigan Youth Arts, in partnership with Quadrant Arts Education Research, ArtServe Michigan, the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, and the Michigan Department of Education, developed and implemented a statewide survey to assess the status and condition of arts education in Michigan. It was distributed to 4,200 public schools in 551 school districts, reaching 1.6 million students and is the first time Michigan arts education research has included data collected at the school building level.

The project was designed to compile a picture of arts education in Michigan and to establish baseline information for tracking and measuring progress in arts education in the future. This report can provide the data to drive arts education policy.

The survey also identified schools that met a set of criteria as "Model Schools." These schools will be the basis for further research to identify the attributes of successful programs as guides for other schools.

Linda Forward, Director of the Office of Education Improvement and Innovation, will be presenting this report to the State Board of Education along with Mr. Michael Latvis, Director of Public Policy for ArtServe Michigan.

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